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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action, mailed November 19, 2003, entry of the following amendment and remarks are respectfully requested. It is respectfully submitted that the amendments and arguments presented below either place the application into condition for allowance or reduce the number of issues for appeal. It is noted that amendments are in accord with language agreed upon during a telephonic interview with the Examiner.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.